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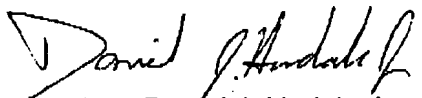
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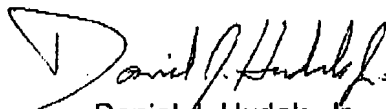
As required under 37 C.F.R. §1.133(b) Applicants submit a statement of the substance of the interview of August 27, 2007.

During the interview, claims 1 and 2 were discussed in view of the Schlensker reference WO 02/38247, also U.S. Patent No. 6,936,084. Applicants' representative explained that the claimed lateral wall has an upper wall section that extends upward from the common wall section and has a linear cross section and further explained the tangential joining of this lateral wall and the curved edged section. Applicants' representative further pointed out that with respect to the rejection of claim 1, the Examiner does not consider the stepped portion of Schlensker that is part of the upper wall and then includes the stepped portion in the rejection of claim 2. Further defining of claims 1 and 2 were discussed, but agreement was not reached.

The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of granting an interview to Applicants' representative.

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